



Fall/Winter 2011-12

### Denver/ Dallas-Ft. Worth Upcoming Events

- Sports Camps  
Mentoring & Ministry,  
Ongoing
- Turkey Bowl (Flag  
Football) Denver  
Saturday, Dec 3rd
- Basketball League  
Denver Saturdays,  
Dec 10th—Feb 25th
- Pastor's Breakfast  
DFW & Denver  
Spring/Summer 2012
- Coaches Training  
DFW & Denver  
Spring/Summer 2012
- March Madness  
Basketball Tourn  
DFW Sat, Mar 24  
Denver Sat, Mar 31

*Please read more  
about our ministry  
and upcoming events  
in the Dallas/Ft.  
Worth and Denver  
areas on our website  
at  
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## *God Still Speaks! Hearing the Voice of God!*

Many of us wonder if God still speaks today or if that was just something He did with special people long ago. All throughout God's Word, we see God speaking to His people. In the Old Testament we see God speaking to His faithful servants, Job, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joshua, Samuel, David, Daniel, and many others. In these Old Testament times, the Spirit of God would often come upon certain individuals to empower and equip them for a specific task or season. In Jesus time, we see God the Son speaking directly to people to share His Father's will and His ways. In the New Testament, starting after the resurrection of our Lord Jesus and through today, we see the Holy Spirit coming to live in the heart of the believer to guide, empower, and direct them on a daily basis. Today, we also can hear the voice of God through God's Word and God's people.

Today though, many people don't believe this is true. They don't believe that the God of the Universe still speaks to us today. But Jesus, Himself tells us that His sheep hear His voice (John 10:26-28). And He assured His followers that it was to their benefit that He should leave so the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, would come and guide them into all truth (John 16:7-15). After Jesus accomplished His work on the cross and rose from the grave the stage was set for the Holy Spirit to enter the believer's heart to speak to them and lead them in God's ways on a daily basis.

So yes, God still speaks to us today, but often we are too busy or our lives are so cluttered that we don't hear Him. Elijah didn't hear God's voice in the wind or earthquake or the fire. He heard God's voice in a gentle whisper (1 Kings 19:10-12). God's voice is holy, so to hear it, we should come with repentant hearts, free of sin and any unforgiveness towards others, approaching the Almighty with humility, patience, and with mouths closed and ears open. This is when our hearts are best ready to discern the whisper of our Holy God!

It is important to note that Jesus says that "His" sheep hear His voice (John 10:1-4). Others can try, but It is the indwelling wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit in the believer's heart that makes it possible for them to hear and discern the will and ways of God. Just as the Holy Bible is hard for the unbeliever to understand, so is the voice of God. It is only with

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*"May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us; establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands." Psalm 90:17*

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spiritual eyes and ears that we can truly discern the voice of God.

So an important question is, "Are you one of God's sheep?" If you aren't or don't know, it is very simple to become one. All you have to do is simply ask God to reveal Himself to you. Jesus tells us that if you ask you will receive. If you seek you will find. And if you knock the door will be open to you. (Matthew 7:7-9) If you sincerely call upon the name of Jesus, He will reveal Himself to you. Once you believe, you can ask Him to forgive you for all of your sins and to be your Lord and Savior. With this you are pledging your allegiance to Jesus to be your King and to submit to His ways and leading in your life. If you truly believe and asked this with a sincere heart, you are saved and you have become one of His sheep, His precious son or daughter, a child of the King! At that same moment, the Holy Spirit enters your heart and seals you for eternal life. The Holy Spirit then continues to walk with you and talk with you, guiding you to become more like Jesus on a daily basis.

After becoming a child of God, we are told to be baptized with both water and the Spirit. Water baptism is a public confession, symbolizing the fact that you are now a follower of Jesus Christ. By asking and receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit, we are ensuring the full power from on High to be released into our lives so that we are fully equipped to walk out the Spirit filled life! Without the baptism of the Holy Spirit we lack full power.

God wants to have an intimate relationship with each one of His children. Some ways we can best hear and discern the voice of God are: 1. First, call upon Jesus Christ to be your Lord and Savior. 2. Repent of any sin and turn from it! It is hard to hear God's voice when you are in the midst of sin. 3. Read the Holy Bible. 4. Pray, this is both talking and listening to God. 5. Take a retreat to get alone with God. Be intentional; taking a day or weekend retreat to focus and seek only the voice of God. 6. Consider fasting. 7. Ask for and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. 8. Get connected to a Bible believing church and group of friends. May this bless you and may you walk and talk with our Lord each day!

**OUR MISSION:** To share the Good News of Jesus Christ through sports!

**OUR GOALS:** 1. To provide mentoring & ministry through sports camps. 2. To help churches have effective sports ministries. 3. To mobilize individuals to outreach and share Christ through sports. 4. To challenge people to grow in their relationship with Jesus. 5. To serve in the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." Luke 4:18-19*

